used all reasonable diligence and all the powers intrusted to them indemnity not for the prevention or suppression of such riotous or unlawful assemblages.

4. In any suit instituted under the three preceding sections, the Id 8 4. plaintiff may declare generally and give the special matter in 1833, c 187, s. 2. evidence.

XIV.—Liability of Railroad Companies for Damages TO CATTLE, ETC.

- 1 Railroad companies responsible for injuries, | 3 Where suit to be brought, how process etc , to stock. served
- 2 How damages recovered

4 Judgment by default

Art 77, s 1. 1818, c 244, s 1, Railroad companies shall be responsible for injuries resulting $^{1646}_{1646}$, c 266 , $^{1646}_{1646}$, c 346 in death or otherwise, inflicted upon any stock, as cattle, horses, Railroad comsheep, hogs, and so forth, or by fire occasioned by their engines or sible for injurcarriages, upon any of their roads, and the branches thereof, unless stock the said companies can prove to the satisfaction of the justice or Md 268, 12 Md 268, 12 Md 268, 12 Md 271; 27 Md 32, 24 Md 271; 27 Md 32, 24 Md 271; 27 Md other tribunal before which the suit may be tried, that the injury 257 17 Md 32, other tribunal before which the suit may be tried, that the injury 24 Md 271; 27 complained of was committed without any negligence on the part Md 589, 29 Md of the company or its agents. This section to apply to all property, 39 Md 115 188, of the company or its agents. This section to apply to all property, real or personal.

2. The damages caused by such injuries may be sued for and re- Id 8 2 covered by the owner of such stock, or the person injured by fire, 1838, c 244, s 1. before a justice of the peace, when the damages claimed shall not recovered be over one hundred dollars, and in the Circuit Court for the county, or the court having civil jurisdiction over the amount claimed in the city of Baltimore, when the amount claimed exceeds one hundred dollars.

3. The damages claimed, under section 1, hereof, shall be sued id a s for in the county or city where the injuries shall have been done, where suit to and a summons served upon the president, or any of the directors, or conductors, of any of said companies, shall be considered proper service upon the corporation; provided, said service shall be made Howprocess at least twenty days before the return day of the writ.

4. If the company summoned shall not appear to answer at Id 8 4 the time named in the summons, on the return of two summons Judgment by served as aforesaid, the court or justice shall proceed to enter up judgment against said corporation, as if the said corporation had regularly appeared, but such judgment shall not be rendered until affidavit shall be filed showing the name of the president, director, or conductor, on whom said service was made, and the day of said service, and any property belonging to the corporation shall be liable for the amount of such judgment.